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Yankee is the unanimous pick for the AL rookie of the year. C1

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Anthem is pushing Hartford HealthCare to agree to mediation. B1

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GUN LAWSUIT

State Supreme Court in Hartford to hear arguments in a lawsuit against the maker of the weapon used in the Sandy Hook massacre. The case gained national attention after mass shootings in other parts of the U.S.

A NATION WATCHES

HARTFORD COURANT FILE PHOTO

26 Adam Lanza killed 26 at Sandy Hook school in Newtown on Dec. 14, 2012. Above, Jimmy Greene holds a photo of his daughter Ana Grace Marquez-Greene; at right, Ian Hockley holds a photo of his son Dylan. Both children were killed in the shooting.

JOE BURBANK | ORLANDO SENTINEL

49 On June 12, 2016, Omar Mateen killed 49 people when he started shooting inside Pulse nightclub in Orlando, Fla. Above, a friend of two of the victims places flowers on a makeshift memorial one month after the shooting.

DAVID BECKER | GETTY IMAGES

58 Stephen Paddock shot and killed 58 people at the Route 91 Harvest country music festival on Oct. 1 in Las Vegas. Above, concertgoers run from the gunfire, which lasted 10 minutes as Paddock shot from the nearby Mandalay Bay hotel.

NICK WAGNER | AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN VIA AP

26 During Sunday morning services on Nov. 5, Devin Patrick Kelley entered the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Texas, above, and started shooting. He killed 26 people, including a pregnant woman's unborn child.

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The eyes of the legal world and both sides of the growing debate about the role of guns in society will focus on the state Supreme Court Tuesday as justices hear arguments in a lawsuit by the victims of the Sandy Hook school massacre against the manufacturer of the weapon used in the shooting.

Families of nine victims who were killed and a teacher who survived the Dec. 14, 2012, massacre filed the lawsuit in January 2015 seeking to hold Remington Outdoor Co. liable, arguing it marketed the AR-15 to the public even though it knew the weapon was designed for military use.

Adam Lanza shot his way into the Newtown school and fired 154 bullets in about five minutes from a Bushmaster AR-15, killing 26 people, including the 20 first-graders. The lawsuit also named Camfour Holding LLP, the gun's distributor, and Riverview Gun Sales Inc., the East Windsor gun shop where Nancy Lanza, Adam's mother, bought the AR-15.

The issue has gained even more national attention since Sandy Hook. The case goes before the court just more than a week after the latest mass shooting where an assault rifle was used to kill 26 people inside a Texas church. Since the lawsuit was filed by the Sandy Hook victims there have been other mass shootings, including in Sutherland Springs, Texas. In Las

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SEXUAL MISCONDUCT ALLEGATIONS

Moore Told To Quit Race

McConnell Says 'I Believe The Women'

By SEAN SULLIVAN, ROBERT COSTA and JENNA JOHNSON
Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Senate Republican leaders on Monday waged an urgent campaign to pressure GOP nominee Roy Moore to withdraw from the Alabama Senate race amid allegations of sexual misconduct, declaring him "unfit to serve" and threatening to expel him from Congress if elected.

Moore

But Moore showed no signs he was preparing to step aside, even as another woman came forward to accuse him of sexually assaulting her in the late 1970s when she was 16 years old.

McConnell

The fusillade from Senate Republicans started Monday morning in Louisville, where Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., called on Moore to step aside.

"I believe the women, yes," he said of the allegations leveled against Moore.

Later, National Republican Senatorial Committee Chairman Cory Gardner, R-Colo., issued a written statement going even further. "If he refuses to withdraw and wins, the Senate should vote to expel him," Gardner said. He later told reporters Moore "doesn't belong in the United States Senate."

The public comments from top Republican senators marked a dramatic escalation from their initial reactions to Thursday's Washington Post report detailing allegations that Moore initiated a sexual encounter with

MOORE, A4

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

State Deficit Reaches $178M

Legislators: Number Not Unexpected

By CHRISTOPHER KEATING
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HARTFORD — The new state budget was signed on Halloween, but the deficit is already projected at more than $178 million for the current fiscal year.

The latest numbers were released Monday as part of the consensus revenue estimates that are mandated by state law.

Gov. Dannel P. Malloy's budget chief, Benjamin Barnes, said the administration had been cautious about the chances of finishing the current fiscal year without a deficit under the bipartisan legislative budget that was crafted without Malloy's input.

"This consensus revenue projection will likely place us more than $178 million in deficit before we have even had an opportunity to effectuate the large lapses and spending cuts built into

DEFICIT, A6

Brother Speaks Out, Blasts Whiting

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AL SHEHADI, the brother of Whiting patient Bill Shehadi, said he saw at least 50 incidents of abuse against his brother caught on film over 24 days. "Is this the tip of the iceberg?" he asked.

Outraged At 'Sheer Scale' Of Lapses

By JOSH KOVNER
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HARTFORD — William Shehadi, the psychiatric patient who was the target of protracted abuse at Whiting Forensic Hospital, was publicly identified for the first time since the scandal broke in powerful testimony before a legislative committee Monday by his brother, who tore into management and said the abuse began at least a decade ago.

PATIENT ABUSE

Seizing on a refrain from mental health Commissioner Miriam Delphin-Rittmon that the recent abuse is "not who we are," Al Shehadi, an executive at a nonprofit agency and a Greenwich resident, said, "When more than 40 of 200 staff at Whiting are implicated in an abuse scandal, when there is such an absence of accountability that the staff feel free to abuse a patient knowing there is a camera in the room, it may not be who you want to be, but it is absolutely part of who you are."

Al Shehadi had refrained from

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GE may turn out the lights to focus on its more lucrative divisions. Business, Page A8

Casino Hiring
MGM Springfield casino, set to begin operation next fall in Massachusetts, is hiring. Business, Page A8

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Plans being outlined for the regional trash plant in Hartford. Connecticut, Page B3

Trump Jr. Got Notes From WikiLeaks
Donald Trump Jr. exchanged messages with WikiLeaks during the presidential campaign at the same time the website published hacked emails from Democrats. World & Nation, Page A5

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